

'Dear, dear! Must I run? I am always a marplot.' And pretty Emma Dale was looking out of my room, with both hands held out deprecatingly.

'No, you must not run; nor are you a marplot, for there is no plot to mar. There, sit in that 'Sleepy Hollow,' and allow me to talk to you awhile, and see if it will not clear the cobweb from my brain. For the truth is, I have been ransacking my mental closet, for the last hour, for a plot for a story. But the thing I most want to-day, I cannot find. And I must write something, for the editor is entitled to an article.'

'And it was a story you wanted to write?'

'Yes; if I could have found the material from which to fashion it.'

'May I furnish it?'

'You?'

'Yes, I?'

'Why not write it yourself, then?'

'Not any, thank you. I closed my literary career several years ago.'

'How aged we are.'

'Twenty-three, yesterday, according to the family record, and the aspiring author of some rhymes entitled 'Delphina,' I sent them to a Philadelphia publisher and he quizzed them unmercifully. Among other things said, they reminded him of some he had on hand, and which began thus:

'Was not Pharaoh a great rascal,
Because he would not let the children of Israel go into the wilderness to eat the pascal.'

'And I did not have any such ugly rhymes in mine; but it was enough. It extinguished the last spark of intellectual fire, and I retreated, hopelessly demoralized. But really, I think I could tell a story that would do to print, if furnished up a little. Will you have it? If you please.'

'Well, once upon a time—'

'Not a fairy tale, for mercy's sake!'

'Does that sound like it?'

'Somewhat.'

'Then, I'll try again. About three years ago, be the time more or less, some lovers were standing by an old elm, that shaded a country residence in dear New England. The gentleman seem troubled, and a lady decidedly angry. Spiritualism was the subject under discussion, and the gentleman, with some asperity in his voice, said:'

'Most assuredly, I am.'

'Does it seem right, Ellen, to go out without an attendant, sit an hour or two in a dark room, among comparative strangers, waiting for manifestations from another world?'

'Yes, or I should not do it.'

'And furthermore, Mr. Dunton, I wish you to distinctly understand, I do not choose to be catechised in this manner. Because I wear your ring, I am not your slave. At least not yet.'

'Is the ring irksome to you, Ellen?'

'Yes, if it is a badge of submission.'

'It was not given as a badge but a pledge.'

'A nice time to haggle on a word,' she retorted angrily.

'Were, take your ring, if you please, and leave me my freedom.' And she laid the pretty circlet in his hand.

'I am sorry, Ellen, more sorry than you can ever know and will still hope that when your anger has burned itself out, you will wish for the ring again. If you should, one word will bring me to your side.'

'She shook her head, for she dared not trust her voice.'

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BE SURE YOU ARE RIGHT AND THEN GO AHEAD."—DAVY CROCKETT.

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And thus they parted. He to go out into the gathering darkness, and she to the solitude of her own room, to bear as best she might, the heartache her own, intemperate anger had brought upon herself. A fiery temper had ever been her curse. And now her life-boat had been capsized by it, and she was floating helplessly, at the mercy of the waves. And then came his offer of a recall. Should she humble herself, and say the word? Love and pride wrestled long and masterfully, but the latter yielded, and she wrote to ask for her ring, and in such terms as to bring a sincere lover to her side. She felt herself wholly to blame, and admitted as much. But he did not come, nor even answer her letter. And not long after he left the village.

And thus nearly three years passed, and their paths had steadily diverged, until hundreds of miles separated them. No second love had come to take its place in her heart at least.

One day, the lady—what did I call her, please?

'Ellen.'

'Yes, thank you. Ellen went to the door in answer to the door bell, and, as if dropped from the clouds, Henry Dunton stood before her.

'I have come with the ring, Ellen.'

'And did it take you so long to forgive me Henry?'

'I only received your letter—written so long ago—three days since, and here I am.'

And when rested from his hurried journey, he told how he had waited for her to relent, until suspense became pain and then gave away, hoping to forget; that a few days before, on returning to the village, for the first time, he had been presented by his former landlady with a letter she had found just under the edge of the carpet, in the room he had occupied. It had evidently been slipped under the door, and gone under the carpet instead of over it. And nearly a year after, house cleaning had brought it to light.

'That is all, I believe; only she has come to ask you to her wedding, that is to take place the first of next month.'

'She and who is she, pray? as a faint glimmering of the identity began to dawn upon my clouded mind.'

'Why, Emma Dale, of course. Do you presume to say you did not know all the time, it was my own story I was telling?'

'I do presume to say, I did not know—not even suspect.'

'Did you, reader?'

Mr. Edward A. Pollard comes down with the weight of a thunderbolt on Jefferson Davis. Here is a specimen: 'If Jefferson Davis was a man of sense he might see how far he was ruined and despised in the South; and if he was a man of

dignity, sooner than return to a land which stands the living and reproachful witness of his folly and degradation, he would prefer to have died in the coldest embrace of a foreign country, on the narrowest home of exile. Can he not know, realize that his career is finished,

absolutely finished on the face of the earth? It is the great man who knows when his career is ended, when the last stake of fortune is gone, and nothing remains but the decency of death.'

A Remarkable Case of Stabbing.

A knife plunged to the hilt through a man's temple—it takes the full strength of five men to extract it—the wounded man laughs and jokes under the operation.

[From the Cincinnati Gazette, Dec. 27.]

A row and remarkable case of stabbing, took place Christmas, at 7 o'clock in the evening, on Broadway, near 8th street. Jerry Hogan was found lying there, with a knife buried to the hilt in his left temple. He was unable to speak, and was thought to be dying. Restoratives revived him, and he was taken to the Cincinnati Hospital. Here he was usually facetious in his talk.

'Doctor,' he said, 'I guess I'm a dead man.'

'You're worth two dead men,' replied the doctor.

'Well,' said he, 'I ain't fit to die. I'm too big a sinner.'

While the surgeons were preparing to extract the knife he kept opening and shutting the part which stuck out of his head. 'I just want to see how it feels. It don't hurt a bit but seems like I had two heads. Well an Irishman is hard to kill. We're a tough set. Lifes sticks to us mighty close.'

When the surgeons got ready for work and found it impossible to extract the blade by hand, they laid the man on a couch upon the floor and with the left side of his head uppermost. Three men with might and main held his head down. The engineer brought his pipe tongs in to grasp the hilt of the knife. This gave a sort of auger handle for the surgeon and engineer to pull by. All things ready, the surgeon and engineer took hold each with both hands, and tugging steadily with all their power, against three pairs of hands holding the head down, the knife came out with a hard jerk.

Hogan bore it without flinching, exclaiming when the feat was accomplished, 'Now my two heads have come together and it feels good.'

The weapon was a common two-bladed pocket knife. It is thought that Hogan is in no danger, and will recover without difficulty. He says he was drinking and carousing all Christmas with a party. In the evening the party were in a forensic mood. Wrath mingled in the discussion. The logic of cold steel and mighty muscle cut short the debate, closed it, and broke up the assembly.

Drs. Ritchie and Vinnedge officiated in extracting the knife and dressing the wound.

Here is a 'personal' advertisement in a French paper:—'Eliza: you can return to the house. The boil on my nose has gone.'

CLING TO THOSE WHO CLING TO YOU.

There are many friends of summer. Who are kind, while flowers bloom, But when winter chills the blossoms, They depart with the perfume.

Friends of worth are far and few; So when one has proved his friendship, Cling to him who clings to you.

Do not harshly judge your neighbor, Do not deem his life untrue.

If he makes no great pretensions, Deeds are great though words are few;

Those who stand amidst the tempest, Firm as when the skies are blue,

Will be friends while endures,

Cling to those who cling to you.

When you see a worthy brother

Buffeting the stormy main,

Lend a helping hand fraternal,

Then you will be a true friend.

Do not desert the old and tried friend

When misfortune comes in view,

For then needs friendship's comforts,

Cling to those who cling to you.

OVER THE FENCE.

BOY.

Over the fence is a garden fair—

How I would love to be master there!

All that I lack is a mere pretense,

I could leap over the low white fence.

CONSCIENCE.

This is the way that crimes commence,

Sin and sorrow are over the fence.

BOY.

Over the fence I can toss my ball,

Then I can go in for it—that is all;

Picking an apple up near the tree

Would not be really a thit, you see.

CONSCIENCE.

This is a falsehood—a weak commence,

Sin and sorrow are over the fence.

BOY.

Whose is the voice that thus speaks so plain?

Twice have I heard it and not in vain;

Never will I venture to look that way;

Let's I shall do as I planned to day.

CONSCIENCE.

This is the way that all crimes commence,

Coveting that which is over the fence.

THE THREE AGES OF LOVE.

Oh the early time of Love!

When my fancy used to rove,

From the black eyes to the blue,

From the tony to the tall;

When many girls were dear,

As the days till the year;

And the newest and the youngest.

With the first and the last,

When I lived but in her sight;

And laid awake all night,

Here I met her in the greenwood

On a dewy morn in May,

And a treasure passing rare.

Was a stolen kiss of hair;

On the merry days of youth.

Twas a sin ye could not stay.

Oh the manly time of Love!

Though the face for which I strove

From its cheek has lost a rose,

From its eyes a shade of blue;

Though I see a tarrow now

On its mild and matron brow.

The manly time of life is gone,

Have made it drotter too;

And my heart swells with pride,

To see her by my side;

Or to hear her singing tenderly

Some old ad' l simple lay;

When the fire was burning bright

Or a stormy winter night.

Oh the days of home delight!

Ye shall never pass away.

But Ages comes creeping on,

With his forehead black and sore,

And his heavy, heavy ear,

And his voice small and shrill;

Wh' lew my step must totter slow,

And my strength must dwindle low,

Till the day comes when I'm dead,

Can lead me where it will;

But though manhood's prime be past,

So long as life shall last,

Her gentle voice shall cheer me,

Still her faithful arm sustain,

All our le' ve shall ever brave,

The parting of the grave;

For I know there's bliss beyond,

And we shall meet again.

Anecdote of Judge 'Johnny.'

THE STAR.

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Rutherfordton, N. C.
SATURDAY, JANUARY, 22, 1870.

The Standard on the Election in this Senatorial District.

We have been satisfied for months past and have so-told the people, that the *Standard* and Gov. *HOLDEN*, were drifting to the Democracy. We were satisfied before the late election in this Senatorial District, that the *Standard* would rejoice in the defeat of Republicans, and the success of the Democrats. In this we have been right, the proof of which may be found in an article in the *Standard* of January 13th, under the head of, "The verdict of the people."

The article in the *Standard* referred to above, is both weak and replete with falsehoods of the basest character.

The *Standard* says the Republican candidate "was nominated through the machinations of the *STAR* clique which is avowedly at enmity with Gov. *HOLDEN*."

In this assertion the *Standard* lies with its usual zeal. In the first place the republican candidate that was nominated was nominated by the people of the District and not by any clique. We don't have any such things as cliques in this part of the country; we claim to be open and honest in all political matters, but we can easily account for the *Standard* talking about cliques; the *Standard* is published in the interest of a clique or ring as it is commonly called, which is given up to be one of the most gigantic swindling machines that ever existed in any country; the *STAR* has been open and bold in denouncing the swindlers, and this is the reason that the *Standard* crows over the defeat of the Republican candidate in this District.

The assertion that the *STAR* is avowedly at enmity with Gov. *HOLDEN*, is also false and without foundation; true we have denounced the course of Gov. *HOLDEN* as unwise and oppressive, and we believe that the majority of the Republicans of the State agree with us, but personally we bear no malice towards him, although he has been guilty of some very low and unbecoming conduct towards us.

Again the *Standard* says "the *STAR* has avowed itself opposed to Gov. *HOLDEN* and the *Standard*, and has boasted that it could carry the West with it." This is also false. We do not deny our opposition to Gov. *HOLDEN* and the *Standard*, on the other hand we glory in it, but we do deny that we ever "boasted that we could carry the West with us;" we have said and we still say that the people of the West are opposed to the course taken by Gov. *HOLDEN* and the *Standard*, and if they had an opportunity at the ballot-box, they would give their verdict in peals of thunder.

The *Standard* charges us with being opposed to the Republican party, and boasts that the defeat of the Republican candidate in this District is attributed to the fact that the *STAR* is opposed to Gov. *HOLDEN* and the *Standard*. The idea is absurd, preposterous—Out of the thousand Republicans that the *Standard* boasts would not vote for the Republican nominee because he was opposed to *HOLDEN*, and the *Standard* out of all these boasted friends if Gov. *HOLDEN*, and the hired editor of the *Standard*, (Pike) were candidates, they wouldn't get *nearly* vote.

Your reasoning is bad Mr. *Standard* we can tell you why the Republican candidate was not elected in this District.

In the first place many of the best Republicans in this District, seeing the course taken by *HOLDEN* and the *ring*, in regard to the finances of our State, the appointing of Democrats to the control of our Railroad, and the placing of millions of dollars of the people's money in the hands of irresponsible men and stock board gamblers, and voting the downward tendency of our State under such a reckless and unwise administration, became careless and disheartened, and it was an impossibility in the short space of time before the election, to arouse them from their sleep; this is, we say, the principle reason of our defeat, and the blame rests upon the head of W. W. *HOLDEN* and the *Standard* and is not attributed to any "STAR clique," or any thing of the kind.

Brownlowism.

The follow choice bits of news we think will satisfy the most fastidious weak-kneed republican, of what will be the fate of North Carolina, should the Conservatives get control of our State. Read ponder and see how you like it:

"A member of the Tennessee Legislature having proposed a few weeks ago to sell the portrait of General Thomas, painted at the expense of the State and suspended in the State Library, the General has written to the speaker to learn the cost of the painting, with a view to refunding the amount. He further says he will return to the present Legislature the gold medal presented to him by the last in commemoration of the Union victories over rebels before Nashville in 1864.

This same Legislature has fixed by an act. "Rate of State and County Taxation for 1870 on Privileges." We give below some of them so that our people may see that even the Conservatives when they get control of a State may sometimes do as they please over it. So far has this threatened evil gone toward consummation, that seven members of the National House of Representatives from Tennessee and one of their U. S. Senators, Mr. Brownlow, have drawn up a memorial to Congress asking that body to interpose for the protection of the Republican people of that State.

This is a significant movement and one which will do the Republican party of North Carolina no harm to understand and ponder well.

In the first place Mr. Brownlow gave the whole weight of his influence to the platform and candidate for Governor of the party which now controls the State, and his position in the canvass was perhaps decisive of the result of the elections. But he seems to have been duped and deceived and defrauded by the men whom he trusted and helped to put in power. If the heterogeneous and wrangling material denominated by way of a joke, we suppose the Democratic party of Tennessee, has thus as soon as it got warm in the Legislative nest it has yearned for so long, turned and stung its benefactor how can we expect other things of the same party in this State should the folly or frauds of Republicans ever inflict their rule upon us.

Mr. Brownlow indorses the main points contained in the memorial signed by the other Tennessee members of Congress and adds "that the election was held in open violation of the law and constitution of the State" and urges in asking Congress to protect the loyal people of Tennessee against the legislation of the so-called General Assembly of the State."

The above from the *Standard* comes too late, and we would not have expected the like from any other journal. It hallow-hurrah for Senter with all its might, and now when it sees what is being done it would like for other parties to assume the responsibility of that fatal mistake.

Poor Old Brownlow now repents for what he did, and would be glad it could be changed. We have no regrets to make as to our course. We always support the true republican, we want nothing to do with a man who would bid even for the praise of the Conservative party.

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Remarkable Escape.
It will be remembered that on last Saturday a week ago, a colored man by the name of Schuyler Hooper, who was employed in assisting on the wrecked steamer *Lucille*, got into a surf boat for the purpose of bailing her out, and while so engaged she broke from her fastenings and drifted out through the Inlet into the open sea. Some hopes were entertained for a few days that he might be picked up by a passing vessel, but as time passed and nothing had been heard of him, the opinion began to be generally entertained that he had perished. It was, therefore, a source of no little surprise as well as gratification when intelligence was received on Sunday morning last, that the lost boy had finally turned up and was alive and well.

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Modest persons generally step off from the sidewalk on meeting another and always go around a stone instead of stepping over it.

Wide-awake persons "toot-out," and have a long swing to their arms, while their heads swing about miscellaneous.

Careless persons are forever stubbing their toes.

Lazy persons scrape about loosely with their heels, and are first on one side of the walk, then the other.

Very strong-minded persons have their toes directly in front of them, and have a kind of stamp movement.

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How People Walk.
Observing persons move slowly; their heads move alternately from side to side, while they occasionally stop and turn around.

Careful persons lift their feet high and place them down, and pick up some little obstruction and place it quietly by the side of the way.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

Washington, D. C. Jan. 9th, 1870.

Arrivals—Congress—Fina—*Finne*—Purchase of British provinces and Canada—British Columbia and Red River Country—Virginia—Contested Seat—World's Fair—dc.

Last night and this morning traffic leading into Washington, was crowded with member of Congress and their families for the meeting of Congress to-morrow. The members of the 32nd House have mostly arrived in advance to be in readiness to push forward their respective claims. More than the usual amount of business, in the way of blocking out, was done this year before the adjournment. I learn that in the Senate above there has already been over three hundred bills introduced, and of that number, bills relating to financial matters are proportionately large and from interviews with Congressmen remaining here over holidays I assure your readers that their end is not yet. There is a strong pro-
-tection being brought to bear upon Congress, principally through the interests of national Banks, to increase the number of Banks, to the plea of expediency sake if no other, and that the North would be equally benefited by meeting a want which is draining here in attempting to supply. But, not withstanding the monied (bond holding) interests are favoring this plan, Com. rest will probably fly-shoot a system which is most probably only a convenience to stock jobbers and money brokers.

It is reported upon pretty good authority that the President will send a message to Congress soon after it convenes, recommending both the ratification of the treaty for the purchase of Samoa, and the purchase of the whole of that part of the Island of Haiti known as the Dominican Republic. It is stated that the Dominicans are ready to negotiate.

I learn from several Members of Congress remaining here over holidays that acquisition to the United States of the British provinces and Canada, will be done in conjunction with South American acquisition in it is not at all improbable that British Columbia and Prince Rupert's land will be the first to receive attention from Congress, on the negotiation for the first, and the rigid enforcement on the part of United States of the neutrality laws effecting the latter, in the way of precluding Canada an Authorities from the use of our territory in fighting the Prince Rupert's people, will raise a question with England whether it may not be policy for her to relinquish her possessions on this continent as a set-off to the Alabama Claims.

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and thus defeat their immediate mission. The Radical ring take stock in ex-Governor *Well*'s somewhat since the election, and have improved the holidays in strengthening their side of the question.

Col. Whittlesey, who was defeated in the seventh (Alexandria) district by Lewis McKenzie for Congress, by will remember, has filled a notice, and it was referred to the Committee on Elections of the House, that he would contest the seat of Mr. McKenzie. One of the reasons Mr. Whittlesey gives for his contention is that during the debate on a bill in the Virginia Legislature in 1861, relating to an appropriation of one million of dollars to arm their State, Mr. McKenzie, then being a Member of the House of Delegates from Alexandria, said "that the House had been in session sixty-six days, and until a few days ago, he had supposed the bill had become the law of the land. He had voted for this bill, the time he did, because he believed it was important to the public safety. We had just voted that, so far as Virginia was concerned, we would not permit the coercion on the part of the Federal Government of any of the Southern States. Having come to this conclusion, he for one, was ready to vote to arm the State, if need be."

The World's Fair movers gettfully hurried to the necessity of securing the holding of the next International Exhibition in Washington.

The St. Louis people take courage in laying over of the World's Fair. A rabble in the State, thinking that perhaps by bidding high enough without asking any appropriation from Congress they may be favored with the World's Fair, and thus help along their scheme for the removal of the Capital.

The citizens of the District had a spirited World's Fair meeting last night. Among the speakers were Generals, Garfield, O. H. Howard and J. W. Forney, who were very enthusiastic in favor of it being held there in '71.

The action of the N. Y. Legislature in repealing the ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment is occasioning much discussion here among Reconstructionists. It is thought it will not be necessary to test the legality of its right to rescind to the ratification of the amendment by three-fourths of the State Legislatures are considered almost certain.

The friends of Judge Advocate Holt are still taking up his chances for a place on the U. S. Supreme Court Bench.

There is at the present time lecturing in this city, a man who calls himself E. V. Wilson, from Illinois. He professes that his specialty consists in revealing to entire strangers, the most important incidents in their lives without any previous knowledge of them. I had an opportunity last evening to listen to this man, particularly in regard to the plan, particular references to important incidents in the history giving dates &c., to several who must have been strangers to him. One of the gentlemen he addressed was E. B. French, 2nd Auditor. He first gave the character of the man, his temperament, mental calibre, capacity for Government Office, and then launched into a description of marked incident in his life, giving date, description of persons connected with those incidents &c. 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THE STAR.

RUTHERFORDTON N. C.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 1870.

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Cuba, N. C.; W. B. Wilson, Chimney Rock, N. C.;
Rev. W. H. Logan, Hills Creek, N. C.

The Sharp Shooter.

This little pop gun has gone up the spout. No one we suppose save its editor regrets its demise.

The Salem Press.

The Old North State says that "we learn that the publication of the Salem Press will be resumed in a few days. Hereafter it will be a liberal Conservative paper."

THANKS.—We are indebted to I. O. Bridges, our agent at Shelby, for a handsome list of subscribers, as we are to others of our agents for favors of the same kind but not so large. Spur up Gentlemen.

The Revolution.

We publish in another column the prospectus of this paper—it will no doubt be read as an item of news, by many of our lady friends, who we are sure will find a strong advocate for their rights in the Revolution.

Hurrah! For Logan.

We learn that Mr. J. C. Logan Harris, and Miss Florence C. Upchurch of Raleigh, were married at Weldon a few days since.

May they enjoy all the pleasure and bliss of married life, and have none of its bitterness.

The Legislature.

Nothing of importance has been done yet.

We shall watch the proceedings and give any item of general importance which shall be done but do not believe our readers wish us to give up our space to a report which is a perfect Jargon to all who do not see the bills as introduced.

The Asheville News.

This Journal which has heretofore represented the Conservative cause in this Congressional district has played out, and is numbered with the things that were. We liked the News as well as any Conservative journal in the State, and feel a kind of sorrow that it had to die, but such is life.

The Biblical Recorder.

This journal has perfectly demolished us. Made a perfect "hallabaloo" of us could not answer our points, but pitches into our grammar. That is the way some men argue questions, we can't help it. And can only say we would have preferred to have backed out fairly and squarely, but let her rip.

Spartanburg Mail Route.

Persons who have petitions for re-opening the mail route, from this place to Spartanburg, S. C., will please send the same to this office during next week, as we expect to forward the same to Washington in a few days. All persons who have not signed the petition can find a copy at this office. Call and sign it.

Important Opinion.

Chief Justice Pearson and Judge Dick have in response to resolution passed by the Legislature giving their opinion that the Constitution does not allow the officers elect to hold over. The other Judges declined to give their opinion. We will in accordance with this opinion, elect members of the Legislature, Sheriff's, Register of Deeds, Coronor's, Treasurer's, Surveyor's, Commissioner's, and some other officers next August.

Josier Turner.

This gentleman addressed the citizens of this county at this place on the 3d inst., he had quite a large crowd and revived his friends muchly. He said some good things, we laughed over the butter-milk tale, it was so much like Josier giving butter-milk to keep daddy from joining the league.

We guess when Josier goes around speaking a tickler and jug of butter-milk about sizes his pile. On the whole it was a butter-milk concern here, but "they all took sugar in them."

A Watch for 25 Cents.

Last week Messrs. Lynch & Hulmister, sold a box of surprise Candy to a Mr. Callahan for 25 cents. Upon opening the box he found therein a watch said to be worth eight or ten dollars.

This firm has removed to the Eaves House, opposite their old stand, where they will be glad to see the public; give them a call, and if you want nothing else, buy a box of Candy and perhaps you may get a Watch for 25 cents.

See their advertisement.

Not quite so fast.

The Postmaster at this place informs us that the next mail that left this place after the election, a letter was received to be mailed, upon which, to pay to the postage, was Confederate States postage stamp. We guess our Conservative friends had better wait, as we don't think Mr. Whiteside would vote for a return to Confederate rule. We will have to use uncle Sam's stamps if we want our letters to go. The writer can get the letter by applying at the Post Office. It is addressed to

Stanly Creek,
Gaston, co.,
N. C.

Distinguished Dead.

The year 1869 which has just closed, has numbered with the things that were a larger number of distinguished men, than any year that we recollect. Among those that have died may be mentioned, Franklin Pearce, ex-President, John Minor Botts of Va., John Bell, of Tenn., Isaac Touey, II. J. Raymond, Gen. J. A. Rawlins, Gen. John E. Wool, Gen. L. H. Ressean, Wm. R. Fessenden, Commodore Stewart, Amos Kendall, Geo. Peabody, Edwin M. Stanton, Jonathan Worth, Judge Osborn, and perhaps others we may have forgotten. Truly has the United States lost many of her ablest statesmen:

Doty's Clothes Washer.

We have been using a Washing Machine and Wringer, in our family for some weeks, of the Doty pattern furnished us by the Metropolitan Washing Machine Company. We have omitted to notice this Machine until we should have given it a fair trial, which we have now done, and pronounce it a splendid invention, and have no hesitancy in declaring that it will accomplish, by following directions, everything claimed by the inventors.

Every family who can spare the money should have one, we will take pleasure in sending orders for any of our friends who may wish us to do so.

The Star.

Having to change quarters, and in anticipation of receiving our new type. We have failed in getting out our paper for two weeks.

Our type is now at the head of the road and we hope to receive it in a few days.

Will our friends come up to our help, we need money to

carry on our paper and shall confidently look to them for help, let every republican consider himself an agent for the paper and do what he can for us. We intend that the Star shall be second to no paper in the State. All we ask is that our friends will help us.

We commence a new volume this week and intend to spare no pains to give you the news.

Election in Rutherfordton.

The following is the vote for Mayor, Commissioners and Marshal for Rutherfordton, held on 3d inst.:

For Mayor.

J. B. Carpenter, rep. 45
O. P. Carson, con. 39

For Commissioners.

J. M. Justice, rep. 46
R. J. Williams, rep. 46
G. W. Logan, rep. 45

Nelson Bryan, rep. 43
J. A. Miller, con. 38

For Marshal.

J. M. Allen, rep. 42
E. J. Bryan, con. 42

Strike of the Telegraph operators.

The strike of the operators of the different telegraph lines throughout the South and West keeps news back from the mails. This action seriously affect business men, and prevents the reading public from getting news.

The Telegraph has become a necessity, and we would be glad to see Congress combine it with the mail service of the country, and we should not be surprised to see it done now as even the Government is suffering from the present strike.

From what we can learn, we do not believe that the operators are to blame for the strike, as they have many grievances to complain of.

Municipal Election.

Raleigh, Wilmington, Newbern, Fayetteville and Goldsboro have elected Republican officers for the past year. Charlotte, Salisbury and Asheville elect Conservative officers by small majorities.

There has been little change since last election, at all points where much interest was taken the Republicans were successful. North Carolina is as strongly republican to-day as twelve months ago, and with proper management we can carry every district for Congress next summer save one. But rings and cliques must be put down. We must have more honesty in the administration of the State Government.

Vote in 38th Senatorial District.

WATERTON.

Rutherford county, 121
Polk, " 121
Cleveland, " 160

1587 1991

Vote for President last November.

GRANT. SEYMOUR.

Rutherford county, 1275 68

405 182

656 1017

2340 1887

By comparing the above vote

it will be seen that there is not a full vote in the district and while the Democrats have carried the district by 496 majority yet they have lost 300 votes, and have made no gains except in this county which only amounts to 39 votes. It is believed that they did their best in this and Polk counties.

We expect to carry the district next summer by an increased majority over the last fall vote.

Selling the Public Works.

We are credibly informed that there is a movement on foot by certain parties in this State to get a measure through the Legislature, to authorize the sale of certain parts of the Public Works of this State.

We look upon this as a move-

ment of the "ring," for speculative purposes and calculated to do great injury to the people and to the State credit.

We respectfully recommend that a meeting of the citizens of this county be held at the Court House on next Monday the 24th inst., for the purpose of instructing our members of the General Assembly, what course to take in this important matter.

This is no party meeting, but a meeting of the people, let there be a full turn out of all parties.

Georgia.

This State having failed to comply with the reconstruction acts has been again made a Military District, and General Terry assigned to the command of the State.

We believe that Congress has acted wisely in this matter, too much leniency has been shown men who to-day hate the Government as bad as they did in 1861.

We will say on this occasion that we favor pardoning and restoring to all the rights of citizens of the United States every man who is at heart a supporter of the Government, but, as was said in the Legislature of North Carolina by one of our Western members, "we think that the clouds should rathe on the coffin before some men should be pardoned."

This action of Congress should be a warning to Conservatives who would so act as to place North Carolina in a position like Georgia.

Advertise.

Many persons who give to the local press an advertisement and pay a few dollars for the same, will complain that it is money thrown away, or given to the clouds.

This is a wrong idea, we do not believe that any man who is in any kind of business which is honorable loses by the paltry sum paid the printer.—We know of instances in this town, where men advertised in writing up the question of Woman Suffrage, they must pay extra for the difference on all accounts, but by having their own paper, and by giving it to their own friends and grandfathers, they will overshadow the errors by their side.

Entering on our third year, it gives us pleasure to say that The Revolution started with a good list of subscribers, which was more than doubled the second year, and is now a power in the State, will be a power in the future.

Those sending us from 25 to 50 subscribers may retain 75 cents per copy; from 50 to 100, \$1. All communications should be directed to

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The Revolution, For 1870.

The Revolution is a weekly journal advocating Suffrage for women.

The demands for woman everywhere to-day are for a wider range of employment, higher wages, thorough physical and mental education, and equal rights before the law in all those relations with regard to man.

While we yield to none in the earnestness of our advocacy of all these claims, we make a broader demand for the advancement of Woman, as the only way by which all just rights can be permanently secured.

By doing this we hope to bring up

such questions of political and social importance, we hope to educate women for an intelligent judgment upon public affairs, and for a faithful expression of that judgment at the polls.

While we would not refuse men an opportunity in our editor to say what our ideas have ruled the men for six thousand years, we specially desire that The Revolution shall be the mouth-piece of women, that they may give the world the feminine thought in politics, religion and social life; that ultimately the sum of both of us may find the truth in all things.

On the idea taught by the Greeks, and customs of the world, that woman was made for man—his toy, drudge, subject, or even enemy; we declare war to the deadly and protracted fight that that idea was created and is still maintained.

Moral Responsibility and progress here and forever, and that the physical conditions of her earthly life are not to be taken as a limitation of the evidence of the Divine intention respecting her as an immortal being.

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FORUM,

Understood Her Case.

At a revival excitement in Connecticut a respectable old lady was struck with conviction and became a convert, and was proposed for membership of the church. There was a meeting held for the examination of the candidates, of whom there was several in attendance. "Well my dear sister Rogers," said the examiner, addressing our venerable friend, "please relate your experience." She on thus being addressed, lifted up her voice.

"Well," said the, "I don't know what to say, so I told my husband, Mr. Rogers, before I came here; but I believe that I have experienced a change, as I told my husband Mr. Rogers, after I came from meeting."

When I became convinced that I was the most sinful creature in the world, as I told my husband Mr. Rogers, and says he, "I think so, too" Then I told Mr. Rogers, my husband, I was going to lead a different life—

—was going to trim my lamp and have it burning agin the bridegroom come. Then Mr. Rogers, my husband, said he didn't see what I wanted of another; but he didn't make no objection. Then I told Mr. Rogers, my husband, that I would join the church and prepare myself for the place where the woman dieth not, and the fire is not quenched; and my husband Mr. Rogers, told me I'd better."

Audubon and Daniel Boone.

In the recently published "Life of Audubon" is an account of an interview with Daniel Boone, the Kentucky pioneer, at Frankfort, in that State.

"While at the town of Frankfort (about the year 1812), Audubon had an opportunity of seeing the celebrated Daniel Boone "barking squirrels," or, in a less technical phrase, driving them out of their places by firing into the bark of the tree immediately beside the position they crouch into. Audubon went out with Boone to see the sport, and writes:

"We walked out together, and followed the rocky margins of the Kentucky river until we reached a piece of flat land thickly covered with black walnuts, oaks and hickories.—As the mast was a good one that year, the squirrels were seen gamboling on every tree around us. My companion, a stout, hale, athletic man, dressed in homespun hunting shirt, barelegged and moccasined, carried a long and heavy rifle, which, as he was loading it, he said had proved efficient in all his undertakings, and which he hoped would not fail on this occasion, as he felt proud to show me his skill. The gun was wiped, the powder measured, the ball patched with six hundred thread, and the charge sent home with a hickory rod.

"We moved not a step from the place, for the squirrels were so numerous that it was unnecessary to go after them.—Boone pointed to one of these animals which had observed us, and was crouched on a branch about fifty paces distant, and bade me mark well the spot where the ball should hit. He raised his piece gradually until the bead (that being the name given by the Kentuckians to the sight) of the barrel was brought to a line with the spot which he intended to hit, and fired.

"I was astounded to find that the ball had hit the piece of bark immediately beneath the squirrel and shivered it to splinters, the concussion produced by which had killed the animal, and sent it whirling through the air, as if it had been blown up.

"The snuffing of a candle with a ball I had an opportunity of seeing near the banks of Green river, not far from a large pigeon roost, to which I had previously made a visit. I heard many reports of guns during the early part of a dark night, and knowing them to be those of rifles, I went towards the spot to ascertain the cause. On reaching the place I was welcomed by a dozen of tall, stout men, who told me they were exercising for the purpose of enabling them to shoot under night at the reflected light from the eye of a deer or a wolf by torchlight.

"At a distance of fifty paces stood a lighted candle, badly distinguished in the darkness. One man was placed within a few yards of it, to watch the effects of the shots, as well as to light the candle, should it chance to go out, or repair it should the shot cut it across.

Each marksman shot in his turn. Some never hit either the snuff or the candle. One of them, who was particularly expert, was very fortunate, and snuffed the candle three times out of seven, whilst all the other shots either put out the candle, or cut it immediately under the light.

Self Culture.

Much has been written to stimulate the youth of our land to constant exertions and unremitting toil in, and self-sacrificing devotion to their great grandaunts of being Congressmen, Governors and Presidents. Much good has resulted from it. But the field is broader, the laborers more numerous, the prospect for a more abundant and richer harvest greater, and the needs for incentives more pressing, when we write directly to the young mechanic, farmer and day laborer, and advise them to become, through self-culture, well-educated, not in the denominational theorem and quadratics, not in Latin and Greek, but to be well educated in their respective avocations, and in consequence be able to become great and successful men. Not to the fastidious drone, the coward, do we write, but to him who is not ashamed of his trade or calling; to him who is willing to work and lug and tug; to him who fears no obstacles, is inimidated by no seeming dangers or supercilious sneer, do we write, and, begging, ask him to shake off the soft dreams that encumber his night and burst the fool's fetters that blind him!" We have no objection to the blacksmith's being an aspirant for congressional honors, or the farmer's fond desire of filling the gubernatorial chair, or the hod-carrier's delusive dream of occupying the White House, but as so few, so very few out of the many, do realize the consummation of their bright imaginings, we say seek first for distinction, young man, in your own trade or calling, through self-culture; by improving the many opportunities within your reach; by pursuing steadily, with an unflinching determination, your one aim of being at the head and front of your vocation. Invent, improve, and invent again.—Be unsatisfied, but constantly progressive. Devote your days to physical work, your nights to mental, for head work, must be the pioneer, the foundation, the contriver and director.—Then pursue those studies, although under many difficulties, which assist you in trade, and throw light on your profession. Elevate it. And then if you desire, seek political fame, or better still, let it seek you.

We are satisfied that the political arena is crowded. We are equally satisfied that the same amount of effort and mental culture, bestowed upon the farmer, the mechanic, and the day-laborer, would make more successful men, would dignify labor, and would result in untold blessings to the age and race. Read the lives of successful men—no matter in what field of labor—and be comforted and encouraged by their example, and be determined to succeed.

We invite your attention to Washington, who was a surveyor and farmer; to Franklin, who was a printer; to Roger Sherman, who was a shoemaker; to Murat, who was the son of an inn-keeper; to Ney, who was a rotarian's clerk; to Sir William Herschel, who was a drummer-boy in the English army; to Stuart, the prince merchant, who was an Irish emigrant, with only a capital of twenty-five cents; to James Gordon Bennett, who commenced with a borrowed capital of five hundred dollars; to Horace Greeley, who walked into New York barefooted and almost bareheaded; to George Law, one of the wealthiest sons of New York and who was a stone-cutter and a na-

son, and who worked on the Dismal Swamp Canal locks; to John Jacob Astor, who accumulated millions from units; to Christopher Columbus; to Elihu Burritt, the learned blacksmith to Stephens of Georgia; to Sir Humphrey Davy; to Abraham Lincoln and Gilbert C. Walker, and to a host of other successful men through self-culture.

You wish to be successful in life. Then follow their example; let the wonderful potency of the human will inscribe, high up on the tablet of fame, your name as an educated, successful worker. Dare to do. What man has done, man can do.—Portsmouth Gazette.

Two Curious Needles.

The King of Prussia recently visited a needle manufactory in his kingdom, in order to see what machinery, combined with the human hand, could produce. He was shown a number of superfine needles, thousands of which, together, did not weigh half an ounce, and marvelled how such minute objects could be pierced with an eye.—But he was to see that in this respect even something still finer and more perfect could be created. The borer—that is, the workman whose business it is to bore the eyes in these needles—asked for a hair from the monarch's head. It was rapidly given, and with a smile. He placed it at once under a boring machine, made a hole in it with the greatest care, furnished it with a thread and then handed the singular needle to the astonished king.

The second curious needle is in the possession of Queen Victoria. It was made at the celebrated needle manufactory at Bedfod, and represents the column of Trajan in miniature. This well known roman column is adorned with numerous scenes in sculpture, which immortalize Trajan's heroic actions in war. On this diminutive needle, scenes in the life of Queen Victoria are represented in relief, but so finely cut and so small, that it requires a magnifying glass to see them. The Victoria needle can, moreover, be opened; it contains a number of needles of smaller size, which are equally adorned with scenes of relief.

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The trials will be opened to try Civil business only, therefore I notify all persons to be ready for trial in those cases in which I have hereofore appeared as Counsel, such cases will be prepared for trial.

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